useful lives as determined by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Replacing aging buses is critical in assuring reliability of service and decreasing maintenance costs by reducing breakdowns and frequent repairs. The replacement buses would be powered by CNG and have all state-of-the-art technologies to provide enhanced passenger safety, better fuel efficiency and decreased emissions.

Requesting Member: Rep. KEN CALVERT

Account: Transportation & Community & System Preservation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Orange County Transportation Authority

Address of Requesting Entity: 550 South Main Street, Orange, CA 92863

Description of Request: The Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act \$750,000 for the Orange County Transportation Authority's San Diego Freeway (I-5) Widening and Improvement project. Funding for the San Diego Freeway (Interstate 5), from Pacific Coast Highway (State Route 1) to Avenida Pico, will add additional freeway capacity along I-5 in south Orange County with consideration for a potential connection with planned San Diego County high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes on I-5. For FY 2010, the requested funds will be used to complete the required technical studies and environmental documents. This project is estimated to cost \$250 million. The Interstate 5 (I-5) is the primary freeway linking Orange County to Los Angeles and San Diego counties. The project will reduce peak period delays for both commuters and goods movement carriers alike by relieving both existing and forecasted mobility problems while reducing emissions, increasing productivity and improving air quality in the re-

Requesting Member: Rep. KEN CALVERT

Account: Economic Development Initiatives, Housing and Urban Development

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Norco

Address of Requesting Entity: 2870 Clark Avenue, Norco, CA 92860

Description of Request: The Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act provides \$100,000 for the City of Norco's Santa Ana River Trail. The Santa Ana River, which flows from the San Bernardino Mountains to the Pacific Ocean, is the primary source of potable water for Orange County and several cities in Riverside County. Building the Santa Ana River Trail will provide a protective corridor that will reduce pollution and prevent crowding from expanding urban and suburban sprawl. The River Trail is an essential component of the long-term effort to protect the water quality of the Santa Ana River Basin. In addition to reducing pollution, the Santa Ana River Trail will be a multi-use recreational trail that will run from the Pacific Coast to the San Bernardino Mountains. This section of the trail will link the two largest cities in Riverside County, Corona and Riverside, and provide patrons with superlative recreational opportuniEARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. ANH "JOSEPH" CAO

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Mr. CAO. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288—the Department of Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2010:

As requested by me, Rep. ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3288—the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Act, 2010, provides for the Master Planning of Interstate—10. This is the Delta Region Transportation Development Program account in the amount of \$400,000. This funding will go toward the Master Plan to widen and elevate the interstate in New Orleans' urban areas.

As requested by me, Rep. Anh "Joseph" Cao, H.R. 3288—the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Act, 2010, provides for the building of the Almonaster Bridge. This is the Surface Transportation Priorities account in the amount of \$400,000. This funding would go to the construction of a new bridge over the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal. This is one of the most critical intermodal improvements in the New Orleans region with true national significance as this bridge is part of the Southern Rail Gateway.

As requested by me, Rep. ANH "JOSEPH" CAO, H.R. 3288—the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Act, 2010, provides for the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority. This is the Neighborhood Initiatives account in the amount of \$750,000. This funding would go to the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority to rehabilitate vacant and uninhabitable multi-family housing complexes.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. STEVE SCALISE

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on Congressionally-directed project funding, I am submitting the following information regarding project funding I requested for Southeast Louisiana as part of the Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE SCALISE

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act

Account: Federal Highway Administration, Delta Regional Transportation Development Program

Name of Requesting Entity: Regional Planning Commission

Address of Requesting Entity: 1340 Poydras Street, Ste. 2100, New Orleans, LA 70112

Description of Request: I have secured \$400,000 for the Regional Planning Commission. The project entails the construction of a new interchange at I-12 & LA Highway 1088. The Project is needed to alleviate severe con-

gestion along LA Highway 59 & the Mandeville/Abita Springs roadway networks. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE SCALISE

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act

Account: Federal Highway Administration, Delta Regional Transportation Development Program

Name of Requesting Entity: Regional Planning Commission

Address of Requesting Entity: 1340 Poydras Street, Ste. 2100, New Orleans, LA 70112

Description of Request: I have secured \$400,000 for the Regional Planning Commission. The funding is to upgrade transportation and drainage on Clearview Parkway (LA Highway 3152) at the interchange area with Earhart Expressway (LA Highway 3139) in the Elmwood area of Jefferson. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE SCALISE

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act

Account: Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives

Name of Requesting Entity: South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission

Address of Requesting Entity: 1340 Poydras Street, Ste. 2100, New Orleans, LA 70112

Description of Request: I have secured \$100,000 for the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission. The funding will provide for a bulk-head along the southern end of the facility adjacent to the North Pass Channel. The area is vulnerable to tidal surges and unpredictable/irregular weather patterns and the damages must be eliminated in order to utilize the facility. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

# COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF A.J. "JACK" PFISTER

## HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the exemplary and inspirational life of A.J. "Jack" Pfister and to remember the many significant and lasting contributions he made to the state of Arizona and his local community.

On July 20, Jack passed away of at the age of 75.

An Arizona native born in Prescott, Jack was a strong force behind the growth and prosperity of the Phoenix Metropolitan area over the past four decades. During his 15 years as General Manager of the Salt River Project, Jack guided the utility in becoming one of the leading public power entities in the country. In addition to his contributions to building our fast-growing region's vital water and electric infrastructure, Jack was a respected and vocal leader of community boards, commissions and public service projects too numerous to list in its entirety.

Most notably, Jack displayed a lifelong and unwavering commitment to make higher education more available and affordable to Arizonans. He served on the Arizona Board of Regents, and most recently as the Vice President for Institutional Advancement at Arizona State University. In addition, Jack taught at the ASU School of Public Affairs and served on the Board of Directors for the Center for the Future of Arizona. And, of course, Jack's brave leadership was absolutely vital to Arizona's creation of a holiday to honor the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

Madam Speaker, please join me in commemorating the life of Jack Pfister and remembering the strong and positive impact he left on his community and the many people who knew and loved him.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 22, 2009

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Federal Lands (Public Lands Highway)

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: United States Department of Transportation

Address of Receiving Entity: 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE, Washington, DC 20590

Description of Request: I have secured \$800,000 in funding in H.R. 3288 in the Federal Lands Account for Jacksonville National Cemetery Access Road.

The funding would be used for completion of project development and environmental assessment (PDE) to determine how to establish alternate access to the new Jacksonville VA National Cemetery. An alternative access route will enable access to the cemetery from I–95 and the Jacksonville International Airport.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will benefit the community and allow those visiting the new National Cemetery to do so safely and expeditiously.

The State/Local share is 20%; the City of Jacksonville is in possession of the required matching funds and is committed to their financial obligation in order to complete the project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Airport Improvement Program

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: City of Fernandina Beach, FL

Address of Receiving Entity: 204 Ash Street, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,000,000 in funding in H.R. 3288 in the Airport Improvement Program Account for the Fernandina Beach Municipal Airport, FL for Taxiway Improvements.

The purpose of this funding is for the extension, repaying, and replacement of lighting on

taxiway at the Fernandina Beach Municipal Airport. This funding will open new areas of the airport for night operations and improve the safety of existing operations at the airport.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve safety and capacity at the airport.

The State/Local share is 5%; the City of Fernandina Beach is in possession of the required matching funds and is committed to their financial obligation in order to complete the project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Ferry Boats and Terminal Facilities Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Jacksonville Port Authority

Address of Receiving Entity: 2831 Talleyrand Ave., Jacksonville, FL 32206

Description of Request: I have secured \$500,000 in funding in H.R. 3288 in the Ferry Boats and Terminal Facilities Account for Mayport Ferry Rehabilitation, Jacksonville, FL.

The funding would provide for better control and enhanced safety for ferry operations. Specifically, funding would be used to rehabilitate the present ferry dock ramp on both sides of the St. Johns River and improve the gantry system.

This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will benefit the motorists of the 4th District. By investing in our transportation infrastructure through improving safety, consistency, and operating consistency the ferry will be able to remain in operation 365 days a year.

The State/Local share is 20%; the Jacksonville Port Authority is in possession of the required matching funds and is committed to their financial obligation in order to complete the project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Buses and Bus Facilities

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Jackson-ville Transportation Authority

Address of Receiving Entity: 100 North Myrtle Avenue, Jacksonville, FL 32204

Description of Request: I have secured \$400,000 in funding in H.R. 3288 in the Buses and Bus Facilities Account for Regional Intermodal Terminal Center, Jacksonville, FL.

The funding would be used for completion of design, acquisition of right-of-way, and construction of the multi-modal facility. This facility will serve rail, bus, rapid transit and pedestrian services in the Northeast Florida region.

This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will bring more people into downtown Jacksonville, while simultaneously providing increased access to jobs.

The State/Local share is 20%; the Jacksonville Transportation Authority is in possession of the required matching funds and is committed to their financial obligation in order to complete the project.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Buses and Bus Facilities

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: City of Tallahassee, FL

Address of Receiving Entity: 300 South Adams St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,000,000 in funding in H.R. 3288 in the Buses and Bus Facilities Account for Star Metro Buses in Tallahassee, FL.

The funding would be used for purchase of new buses. Currently, Star Metro has thirty buses which are past their useful life. The manufacturer no longer carries replacement parts for these outdated buses, making it both expensive and increasingly difficult to keep the buses maintained and operational.

This would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will assist Star Metro in being able to provide reliable public transit to the people in the City of Tallahassee and surrounding areas.

The State/Local share is 20%; the City of Tallahassee is in possession of the required matching funds and is committed to their financial obligation in order to complete the project.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. CHRISTOPHER JOHN LEE

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, July~22, 2009

Mr. LEE of New York. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY10 Transportation Housing and Urban Development Appropriations bill.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRIS-TOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Federal Railroad Administration— Grade Crossings on Designated High Speed Rail Corridors and Federal Highway Administration—Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: New York State Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 50 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12232

Description of Request: Provide multiple earmarks totaling \$4,595,000 for the Empire Corridor West High Speed Rail Improvements. Specifically funds \$750,000 in Genesee County, NY; \$1,245,000 in Monroe County, NY; \$600,000 in Montgomery County, NY; and \$2,000,000 in Oneida County, NY.

Funds will be used to improve grade crossing safety at selected crossings to facilitate high speed rail on segments of the Empire Service Corridor. Work will include reconfiguration to enhance safety, including improvements such as upgrades to existing warning devices and the installation of channelization devices. This effort would be coordinated by NYSDOT with CSX and Amtrak. This project will enable higher speeds throughout the corridor and would thereby reduce travel times and increase on-time service.

Requesting Member: Congressman CHRISTOPHER LEE (NY-26)

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Federal Aviation Administration— Airport Improvement Program

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority

Address of Requesting Entity: 181 Ellicott Street, Buffalo, NY 14203